

**Department of Health and Human Services
National Institutes of Health**

Vacancy Announcement

Director, National Center for Research Resources

THE POSITION: The National Institutes of Health (NIH) in Bethesda, Maryland, is seeking applications from exceptional candidates who are energetic, innovative, and solution-oriented for the position of Director, National Center for Research Resources (NCRR). The Director, NCRR, will also serve as the NIH Associate Director for Clinical Research (Extramural). As one of the 27 Institutes and Centers of the NIH, NCRR is congressionally mandated to strengthen and enhance the research environments of entities engaged in health-related research by developing and supporting essential research resources. Through development and support of a broad range of state-of-the-art research resources, technologies, and biological models of human disease, NCRR strengthens all lines of health-related scientific inquiry and contributes to major scientific discoveries by NIH-supported investigators and others. To address new and evolving research needs, NCRR supports research to create and develop critical resources and technologies as well as promotes resource sharing and interdisciplinary collaborations. This support enables translational research discoveries that begin at a molecular and cellular level, move to animal-based studies, and then are translated to patient-oriented clinical research, resulting in cures and treatments for both common and rare diseases. NCRR has a staff of approximately 100 employees and a \$1 billion budget. The Center consists of three offices (Extramural Activities, Administrative Management, and Science Policy and Public Liaison) and four divisions (Biomedical Technology Research and Research Resources, Clinical Research Resources, Comparative Medicine, and Research Infrastructure).

The incumbent serves as a principal advisor to the Director, NIH; participates in discussions relative to the development of major policy decisions affecting biomedical, clinical and translational research resources; provides advice and consultation to NIH components, advisory councils and grantee organizations and institutions; and assures that effective administrative procedures are established so that program operations and obligations of government funds and other resources are rendered consistent with statutory and regulatory requirements and within limitations imposed by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and Executive Branch policies.

The Director, NCRR, provides strong and visionary leadership to an organization dedicated to fostering the development and support of multi-categorical research resources needed on an institutional, regional, national, or international basis for health-related research. The incumbent also leads the NIH effort to integrate clinical and translational science programs. The Director, NCRR provides leadership, direction, and coordination of the Center's programs; formulates overall policies relating to the programs and goals; provides management and administrative services to the Center; collects, develops and disseminates information on its resource programs; and insures that results of NCRR programs are appropriately evaluated and transferred to the biomedical community and the public.

The Director, NCRR will actively promote trans-NIH initiatives by building relationships across ICs, working to ensure the NCRR infrastructure supports research and activities across ICs. To keep NIH on the cutting edge of science, the Director will also be responsible for ensuring the development of networks and alliances, collaborating across boundaries and finding common ground with a wide range of stakeholders, and utilizing contacts to build and strengthen internal (NIH) support bases.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED: Applicants must possess a Ph.D., M.D., or a comparable doctorate degree in the health sciences field plus senior level scientific experience and knowledge of biomedical, clinical and/or translational research programs in one or more health science areas. They should be known and respected within their profession, both nationally and internationally, as distinguished individuals of outstanding scientific competence, with a distinguished record of research accomplishments and expertise in policy development regarding clinical and translational research. Candidates should have demonstrated leadership and broad vision in clinical research involving dealings with outside groups; serving as spokesperson; planning, program assessment, and analysis of program objectives; resolution of operation problems and issues; and the ability to manage financial and human resources including building, motivating, and maintaining a culturally diverse staff.

SALARY/BENEFITS: The Director, NCRR, will be appointed at a salary commensurate with his/her qualifications and experience. Full Federal benefits package (including retirement, health, life, long term care insurance, 401K-equivalent savings plan, etc.) is available.

HOW TO APPLY: Applicants must submit a current CV and bibliography to Ms. Regina Reiter at SeniorRe@OD.NIH.GOV. *In addition*, applicants are strongly encouraged to prepare a supplemental narrative statement that addresses the qualifications requirements; and to provide the names, titles, and telephone numbers of 4-5 references. Questions on application procedures may be addressed to Ms. Regina Reiter at ReiterR@od.nih.gov or discussed with Ms. Reiter by calling 301-402-1130.

Applications must be received by close of business, July 31, 2006.

The NIH encourages the application and nomination of qualified women, minorities, and individuals with disabilities.

Selection for this position will be based solely on merit, with no discrimination for non-merit reasons such as race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, political affiliation, marital status, disability, age or membership or non-membership in an employee organization.

Reasonable Accommodation: NIH provides reasonable accommodations to applicants with disabilities. If you require reasonable accommodation during any part of the application and hiring process, please notify us. The decision on granting reasonable accommodation will be made on a case-by-case basis.

Standards of conduct: All employees of the Federal Government are subject to the conflict of interest statutes and regulations, including the Standards of Ethical Conduct, which govern activities with outside organizations. Applicants are encouraged to review the NIH Ethics Program web site at: <http://ethics.od.nih.gov>.

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